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DEPT FOR BURT INR/MP
ISLAMABAD FOR SIMMONS AND ARMA

E.O. 11652: XGDS-2
TAGS: AINR PINR PK
SUBJECT: PROPOSAL FOR US-PAK MAP EXCHANGE

REF: A. TEHRAN 1140; B. ISLAMABAD 2186 (NOTAL);
C. STATE 050039

1. REF B RECOMMENDED MAP EXCHANGE PROPOSAL BE PRESENTED
FORMALLY TO GOP THROUGH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN
ADDITION TO PREVIOUS INFORMAL PRESENTATION MINISTER
FINANCE. ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT KNOW IMPACT OF MODOFOED
PROPOSAL MADE INDIRECTLY TO MINFIN THROUGH RETIRING
SURVEYOR GENERAL IN FEBUARY.

2. MINISTER FINANCE WAS ORGINALLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT
BENEFITS TO GOP FROM SOME SORT APPROPRIATE MAP EXCHANGE.
HOWEVER, HE SEEMS HAVE FAILED CONVINCE GOP AGENCIES
ACCEPT EITHER THE NOVEMBER PROPOSAL OR, SO FAR, THE
FEBRUARY MODIFIED PROPOSAL. PROGRESS ON CONSIDERATION
OF LATER PROPOSAL (AND PERHAPS EARLIER ALSO) MAY BE
DELAYED OWING REPLACEMENT OF SURVEYOR GENERAL MARCH 1.

3. EMBASSY ISLAMABAD MAY WISH WEIGH ADVISABILITY
INQUIRING PRESENT STATUS OF GOP CONSIDERATION OF PRO-
POSALS MADE TO MINFIN MUBASHIR HASAN SO AS TO BRING
INR/MP UP TO DATE. DEPENDING ISLAMABAD'S FINDINGS
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AND CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS, DECISION CAN THEN BE

MADE RE FUTHER ACTION. ISLAMABAD, FROM LOCAL VANTAGE POINT, MAY WELL BE CORRECT IN REF B RECOMMENDING FORMAL PRESENTATION THROUGH MFA, SINCE MFA WOULD EXECUTE ITS OWN FOLLOW-THROUGH AND FOLLOW-UP. HOWEVER, IF EMBASSY CONSIDERS REASONABLE SUCCESS MIGH BE ACHIVED THROUGH PRESSING GOP APPROPRIATELY RE PROPOSALS ALREADY MADE, THIS WOULD OBVIATE SUBMISSION OF STILL ANOTHER PROPOSAL.

4. AS INDICATED REF C, INR/MP AND DMA WILL WISH COLLABORATE WITH EMBASSY IN DRAFTING FORMAL PROPOSAL TO MFA IF DECISION MADE IN FAVOR SUCH PRESENTATION. POINTS ON "PIECE OF PAPER" HANDED SURVEYOR GENERAL BY RGO IN FEBRUARY WILL PRESUMABLY BE APPROPRIATELY CONSIDERED IN DRAFTING FORMAL PROPOSAL, WHICH RGO WOULD APPRECIATE PREVIEWING ITS POSSIBLE PRESENTATION.

5. LETTERS TO ADDRESSEES FOLLOW.
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